

HALL AN HONOR BOY OF OLD GRACE CHURCH

Former Instructor and Sexton
Confident Slain Rector Never
Did Wrong.

RECALL SINGER IN 1894

New Brunswick Man Got Funds
in College From Dr.
Huntington.

Old members of Grace Church, Broadway and Tenth street, recalled yesterday with deep affection and faith the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, especially the days when the slain rector was in the boys' choir in 1894.

There were twenty-two boys in the choir under the instruction of James M. Helfenstein, since retired after twenty-eight years in that service. Out of this number, Mr. Hall, then about 15, received the highest honors as the "best and greatest" boy in the choir.

In 1894 the Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington was rector of Grace Church, and he and his assistants and Mr. Helfenstein took more than a passing interest in the bright youngster, who lived with his mother and sister in this city.

On the wall of the choir room in Grace Church is inscribed in Roman letters:

THE CHOIR SCHOOL
OF GRACE CHURCH
OPTIMUS
1894-95
EDWARD HALL.

An older sexton of the church showed the tablet to a reporter for The New York Herald, and explained with sad eyes the days when Mr. Hall was a member of the choir. He said:

"It seems only yesterday that strong but sweet faced youngster was singing here. He and I were great friends. I don't believe he ever did a person a wrong in this world. Why, he hardly ever came to New York but what he dropped in to see me and have a friendly chat. No, sir, that man was a perfect Christian gentleman. I don't believe a word of this talk about him going wrong."

Mr. Helfenstein, who was found at his residence at 49 Fifth avenue, said he had known Dr. Hall since he was a youngster, and that it might be well for the public to suspend judgment for a time, as eventually his friend's name would not "doubt be cleared." He went on:

"Despite the unfavorable published reports about Dr. Hall I have strict confidence in his innocence. I am unshaken in the belief that there has been a big mistake made which only time will clear up."

"I recall very distinctly when Dr. Hall, then a mere slip of a lad, came to us. When he became a boy, which is considered quite a distinction, Dr. Hall, while proud of it, did not show any signs of being swelled up, which is a boyish trait to be overlooked."

After completing his course at the Polytechnic Institute in Brooklyn, Dr. Hall entered Hobart College and was graduated from that institution in

1902 with the degree of B. A. It was said at Grace Church that Dr. Huntington had financially assisted him. Dr. Hall then entered the General Theological Seminary at 175 Ninth avenue in Chelsea, from which he was graduated in 1905. He was ordained in Grace Church the same year and soon afterward was made rector of Grace Chapel at 415 East Thirtieth street, where missionary work among the poor is one of the pastor's duties.

The Rev. Mr. Hall remained at Grace Chapel for a year and a half and then went to St. Bernard's Church at Basking Ridge, near Bernardsville, N. J., and in 1909 was transferred to the Church of St. John the Evangelist at New Brunswick. While at Hobart Dr. Hall became a member of the society of Sigma Phi, and also of the Masonic order.

**HALL BURIAL SIMPLY
IN PLOT IN BROOKLYN**

Eleven Mourners at Green-Wood Cemetery.

In the presence of eleven mourners, four of whom were women, the body of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, slain rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist at New Brunswick, N. J., was laid at rest yesterday afternoon in the Stevens family vault in Green-Wood Cemetery, Brooklyn.

The widow stood heavily veiled at the side of the tomb while a white clad Episcopal clergyman chanted a short burial ceremony. The coffin was covered with floral offerings from clergymen and friends of the rector. The clergyman was said to be the Rev. Dr. Shane of Perth Amboy.

There was not the slightest sound of outward grief on the part of any of the mourners as they stood quietly during the ceremony. Mrs. Hall leaned on the arm of Lieut.-Commander Carpenter of the Navy and his brother,

Edward Carpenter, accompanied Dr. Hall's mother, William Stevens, Mrs. Hall's brother, also was present. The names on the fourteen marble slabs in the tomb indicate that the Stevens family dates back long before the American Revolution. On the side of one appears the name of "Ebenezer Stevens, born 1761, died Rockaway, L. I., 1823, Lieutenant Commander, Continental Army, Yorktown, Saratoga." On the same slab appear the names of Lucretia Ledyard, born Hartford, 1756, died Astoria, 1846, and Mary Sands, born 1777, died 1784.

**BROTHER CLERGYMEN
PRAISE HALL'S MEMORY**

**Express Their Sympathy to
Wife of Rector.**

The Rev. Dr. E. Vicars Stevenson of Grace Episcopal Church, Plainfield, N. J., made public last night resolutions adopted by the twenty-eight clergymen who attended the burial services of the Rev. Edward W. Hall, the slain clergyman, in his old church at New Brunswick. The resolution, which expressed confidence in the late pastor's integrity, reads:

"For as much as our brother, the Rev. Edward W. Hall, has suddenly been taken out of this life, the clergy of the Diocese of New Jersey present at the funeral services express to Mrs. Hall, his family and to the parishioners of St. John the Evangelist our deepest sympathy in the bereavement which has come to them. We express it as our duty, our confidence in and admiration for the character of our brother, which has been revealed by his life and work among us for the last fifteen years.

"In view of the unfortunate mystery surrounding his death, we do not hesitate to maintain our confidence in his character entirely unshaken by the evidence so far revealed by public report."

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SOME EXAMPLES OF MODERN FURNITURE

DINING ROOM SUITES		Former Price	Sale Price
A-2076X	Colonial Mahogany Dining Room, 9 pieces	\$1000	\$900
A-2310X	William and Mary Walnut Dining Room suite, 10 pieces	1350	1200
D-671	Heppelwhite, hand-carved, Mahogany Dining-room set	1850	1800
D-7033	Sheraton, Mahogany and Inlaid Dining-room suite	1775	1700
D-7123	Adam Mahogany Dining-room suite	1780	1600
A-2416X	Heppelwhite Mahogany Dining Room suite, 10 pieces	750	675
A-2321X	Jacobean Oak Dining Room suite, 10 pieces	1085	975
A-3308X	Elizabethan Ch. stut Dining Room suite, 10 pieces	1450	1200

BED-ROOM SUITES		Former Price	Sale Price
A-1895X	Sheraton Mahogany Bedroom suite, 9 pieces	1245	1000
A-2361X	William and Mary Cherry Bedroom suite, 9 pieces	1235	975
A-2479X	Jacobean Oak and Fruitwood Bedroom suite, 8 pieces	1215	975
A-2345X	Heppelwhite Enamel and Decorated Bedroom suite, 10 pieces	1200	875
A-1455X	Sheraton Mahogany Bedroom suite, 8 pieces	1040	875
D-3678	Gray Enamel Bedroom suite, Hand Decorated	1500	1200
D-8036	Louis XVI Gray Enamel Bedroom suite, decorated in blue lines	1400	1200
A-3056X	Queen Anne Walnut Bedroom suite, 10 pieces	1055	950
A-3481X	Heppelwhite Two-tone Mahogany Bedroom suite, 10 pieces	500	425
A-3504X	Colonial Mahogany Bedroom suite, 9 pieces	625	500
A-3564X	American Walnut Bedroom suite, 8 pieces	850	550

CHAIRS		Former Price	Sale Price
2274X	Windsor Arm Chair, Rush Seat, Mahogany	35	25
2986X	Windsor Arm Chair, Wood Seat, Mahogany	23	20
3338X	Chair, Rush Seat, Maple with Walnut Finish	15	12
3339X	Arm Chair, Rush Seat, Maple with Walnut Finish	25	20
A-3422X	Walnut Firsedeasy Chair Loose Down Cushion, Muslin	115	100
A-48X	Mahogany Chaise Longue with Down Cushion, Muslin	150	130
A-39X	Mahogany Easy Chair Down Cushion, Muslin	65	55
A-2958X	Mahogany Easy Chair with Cushion	65	55
D-10583	Queen Anne Ladder-back Chair, Walnut, Muslin	150	130
D-1035	Italian State Chair, Hand-tooled Leather Upholstery	375	300
D-765	High-back Jacobean Arm Chair—Needlework Muslin	125	90

TABLES		Former Price	Sale Price
2342X	Gate Leg Table, Oak, Walnut or Mahogany	80	60
2343X	Gate Leg Table, Oak, Walnut or Mahogany	90	75
2740X	Refectory Table, Walnut and Mahogany	100	90
2741X	Refectory Table, Walnut and Mahogany	125	100
2742X	Refectory Table, Walnut	100	85
3076X	Davenport Table, 60 Inches open, Mahogany	90	75
2821X	Colonial Desk, Mahogany	150	135
3394X	Colonial Desk, Mahogany with Maple Front, Drawers and Legs	190	145
2829X	Lowboy Desk, Mahogany	130	115

TABLES		Former Price	Sale Price
S-620	Two-tier Tray Table	750	575
S-201	Chippendale Table with Marble Top	500	400

CHAIRS		Former Price	Sale Price
S-362	Italian Arm Chair in Red Velvet XVII Century	500	375
S-2542	Walnut Side Chair in Red Damask	250	175
S-1510	Regence Arm Chair with Antique Brocade	775	550
S-1500	Regence Caned Arm Chair with Cushion	285	225
S-203	Louis XIV Arm Chair, covered with antique needlework	850	700
S-602	Pair Louis XIV Arm Chairs covered with red velvet	1750	1350
S-582	Set of 4 Louis XVI Arm Chairs covered with verdure tapestry	2300	1850
S-1484	Regence Arm Chair covered with antique needlework	850	700
S-568	Set of 4 Arm and 20 Side Chairs	2600	2360
S-568	Set of 4 Walnut Side Chairs, genuine old red Venetian damask	250	185

MANTELS, CLOCKS AND ODD PIECES		Former Price	Sale Price
S-2365	Pair of Sheffield Silver Candelabra	200	125
S-1591	Mahogany Chippendale Clock	550	400
S-1758	Statuary and Brocabello Marble Mantel	750	650
S-2236	Iron Torchere	55	40
S-1180	Sheraton Balloon Bracket Clock	350	285

TABLES		Former Price	Sale Price
S-503	Walnut Side Table	375	275
S-105	Oak Table	300	240
S-310	Oak Table	350	275
S-1237	Round Oak Table	235	185

CHAIRS		Former Price	Sale Price
S-1437D	Oak Arm Chair in Needlework	750	625
S-1902	Inlaid Walnut Arm Chair	235	185
S-2964	Italian Walnut Arm Chair Covered with Damask	355	285
S-2544	Walnut Love Seat—Legs Inlaid with Marquetry Seamed	850	650
S-1211	Walnut and Gold Banquette Chair, Seat and Cushion	600	525
S-2513A	Walnut Settee—Crewel Embroidery	2000	1675

MANTELS		Former Price	Sale Price
S-947	Antique Iron Fire Back	85	60

TABLES—(Continued)		Former Price	Sale Price
3416	Desk, Mahogany	\$160	\$125
3418X	Desk, Mahogany	145	115
2902X	Clover Top Table, 36 inches Diameter, Walnut	60	55
3419X	Secretary Desk, Mahogany	210	185
2828X	Ladies' Secretary, Mahogany	195	170
3417X	Secretary Desk, Mahogany	260	200
2823X	Secretary Desk, Mahogany	235	200
2370X	Secretary Desk, Mahogany	275	200
3395X	Colonial Secretary Desk, Mahogany, Maple Drawer Fronts	265	200
3170X	Draw Top Table, Extension to 96 inches, Walnut	110	80
D-7833	(Revised) Carved Adam Occasional Table, Oval	70	65
D-2213	Satin-Wood Nest of Tables, Four, 19 1/4 x 13 1/4 x 27	125	100
D-1517	Chippendale, Pierced Mahogany Table, 39 inches in Diameter, 29 inches high	180	150
D-11239	Console Table, Mahogany	85	75
D-7070	Sheraton Inlaid Card Table, 36x36x29	200	160

MIRRORS		Former Price	Sale Price
3340X	Gilt and Dec. Mirror, 27x43 inches	80	65
3342X	Gilt Mirror, Compo. Ornament on Top, 27x43 inches	100	75
2866X	Gilt Mirror, 24x42 inches	120	110
3300X	Walnut Mirror with Etched Glass, 22x43 inches	75	65
3368X	Gilt Mirror Ornamenta, 22x35 inches	115	85
3454X	Mahogany Mirror, 22x53 inches	115	100
1655X	Green and Dec. Mirror, Painted Panel Top, 26x53 inches	115	110
2053X	Gilt Mirror, 29x48 inches	95	85
468X	Polychrome Mirror, 24x43 inches	110	90
3055X	Gold Mirror, 22x37 inches	60	55
3177X	Gold Mirror, 24x37 inches	60	55
139X	Gold Mirror, 25x40 inches	100	90
2868X	Gold Mirror, 22x41 inches	100	75
3369X	Silver Mirror, Ornamenta, 22x35 inches	115	85
2292X	Gilt Mirror, Painted Glass Panel, 25x49 inches	115	100
3353X	Silver Mirror, 24x48 inches	115	95
2052X	Silver and Dec. Mirror, 24x62 inches	80	65
3354X	Parchment and Gold Mirror Painted Panel, 24x45 inches	115	100
3357X	Green Bordered Mirror, 20x42 inches	115	100
981X	Blue Bordered Mirror, 20x42 inches	105	95
1658X	Gold Bordered Mirror, 24x42 inches	90	80
3347X	Gilt Mirror, 23x32 inches	105	95
3341X	Silver and Gold Mirror, 63x26 inches	120	105
3047X	Gilt and Polychrome Mirror, 22x36 inches	45	40

DAY BEDS		Former Price	Sale Price
3033X	Ash and Cherry Windsor Day Bed, 2 ft. 10 in. x 6 ft. 2 in.	65	50
3034X	Mahogany Simplex Day Bed, 2 ft. 10 in. x 6 ft. 2 in.	55	45
2159X	Grey Enamel Day Bed, 2 ft. 10 in. x 6 ft. 2 in.	115	85
2155X	Mahogany Day Bed, 2 ft. 10 in. x 6 ft. 3 1/4 in.	135	115

ANTIQUE PIECES

MANTELS, CLOCKS AND ODD PIECES—(Continued)		Former Price	Sale Price
S-945	Set of English Fire Irons, Tongs, Shovel and Poker	80	65
S-809	Pair English Iron Fire Dogs	150	115
SOFAS AND SETTEES		Former Price	Sale Price
S-2583	Stuart Highback Settee covered with needlework	850	700
S-263	Walnut and Filt Three-back Settee in Velvet	850	675
CHINAWARE		Former Price	Sale Price
S-2509	Chinese, Square Splash Vase	100	95
S-122	Blue and White Chinese Beaker	85	65
PAINTINGS		Former Price	Sale Price
S-625	Painting in Frame—Flowers—French School	750	550
S-1882	Oil Painting, Marine Subject in Gilt Frame	335	250
CHESTS and CABINETS		Former Price	Sale Price
S-1946	Mahogany Chest of Drawers, Sheraton Period	350	275
S-811	Seaweed Marqueterie Walnut Secretary Cabinet	3000	2200
S-2468	French Chippendale Commode in Mahogany	2000	1650
S-33	Mahogany Chippendale, finely carved, serpentine shaped Commode	1250	750
S-999	Early XVIII Century Leather Chest on stand	350	245

REPRODUCTIONS OF ANTIQUES

MIRRORS		Former Price	Sale Price
S-2157	Carved and Gilt William and Mary Mirror	325	255
S-2037	Lacquer and Gold Mirror	150	120
CHESTS, CABINETS and BOOKCASES		Former Price	Sale Price
S-2167	Pearl Inlaid Chest	850	675
S-3051	Inlaid Oak Chest	450	350
S-1989	Incised Lacquer Cabinet	3000	2100
S-2944	Koromandel Bookcase	1250	875
S-1856	Oak Chest on Stand	850	675
BED-ROOM FURNITURE		Former Price	Sale Price
S-2153	Mahogany Single Bedstead	200	135
S-2152	Mahogany Single Bedstead	200	135
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